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15. (Amended) A voltage ramp generator comprising:

a capacitance; and

a charging circuit connected to said capacitance and

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a current generator having a first resistance, and

a degenerate current mirror circuit connected to said current generator and to said capacitance, said degenerate current mirror circuit having a second resistance for generating a capacitance charging current that is proportional to a square of a ratio of the second resistance and the first resistance.

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21. (Amended) A current ramp generator comprising: a voltage ramp generator comprising

a capacitance, and

a charging circuit connected to said capacitance and comprising

a current generator having a first resistance, and

a circuit connected to said current generator and to said capacitance having a second resistance and enabling a capacitance charging current to be proportional to a square of a ratio of the second resistance and the first resistance; and

a conversion circuit connected to said voltage ramp generator for generating a current ramp.

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29. (Amended) A current ramp generator comprising: